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SUBJECT: RECIPROCITY TREATMENT FOR PILOT LICENSES

1. EMBASSY HAS NEGOTIATED WITH DIRECTOR GENERAL OF AIR TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH VENEZUELA WOULD RECOGNIZE PILOT LICENSES ISSUED BY FAA.

2. MANY YEARS AGO, VENEZUELA USED TO RECOGNIZE FAA LICENSES AND SIMPLY ISSUED TO APPLICANTS REQUESTING AN EQUIVALENT LICENSE IN VENEZUELA A CERTIFICATE FOR SUCH A LICENSE. LATELY, HOWEVER, VENEZUELAN AUTHORITIES REQUIRED A VERY TIME-CONSUMING PROCEDURE INCLUDING TEN FLIGHT HOURS WITH INSTRUCTOR, MEDICAL, WRITTEN AND FLIGHT EXAMS AND CONSIDERABLE PAPERWORK. THE TOTAL PROCEDURE COULD TAKE AS LONG AS THREE MONTHS.

3. THE DGATT HAS NOW INSTRUCTED THE OPERATIONS DIVISION OF THE DIRECTORATE GENERAL TO ADHERE IN GENERAL TERMS TO WHAT IS SPECIFIED IN FAA'S PART 61, PARA 61.75 AND TO ISSUE AN EQUIVALENT LICENSE IMMEDIATELY UPON PASSING A SHORT TEST CONSISTING OF TWENTY QUESTIONS, MAINLY ON VENEZUELAN AVIATION LAW AND ITS REGULATIONS. THE VALID FOREIGN MEDICAL EXAMINATION WILL BE ACCEPTED. U.S. PILOTS WILL BE ABLE TO RENT OR BORROW AIRCRAFT WITH VENEZUELAN REGISTRY, FORMERLY NOT PERMITTED, BUT WILL
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HAVE TO NOTIFY AUTHORITIES OF THE TAIL NUMBER.

4. SIMILARLY TO WHAT IS STIPULATED UNDER PART 61, U.S. COMMERCIAL PILOTS WILL BE ISSUED A COMMERCIAL RATING BUT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO FLY FOR REMUNERATION. U.S. PILOTS WITH INSTRUCTION LICENSE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO INSTRUCT.
5. THE LANGUAGE ABILITY WILL BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT AND LIMITATIONS MIGHT BE PLACED ON THE VENEZUELAN LICENSE.
6. IN GENERAL TERMS, THE CONTENTS OF FAA PART 61 HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED ON A RECIPROCITY BASIS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE WRITTEN TEST AND THE REQUIREMENTS TO INFORM AUTHORITIES OF THE TAIL NUMBER OF THE AIRCRAFT WHICH THE LICENSE HOLDER INTENDS TO FLY.
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